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Re: Inventor(s) : **PIERRE M. HAM, ALAIN M. BLANCHON,
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Atty. Dkt# : **J-9901-US**
Title : **PLURAL CONDUIT REPLACEABLE OUTER SUPPORT
STRUCTURE FOR RADIAL FLOW SYSTEM**
Serial No. : **09/522,118** Filed : **March 9, 2000**
Group Art Unit: **1764;** Examiner: **Marian C. Knode**

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT SUBMITTED
BEFORE MAILING OF FIRST OFFICE ACTION [37 C.F.R. 1.97(b)]**

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56 and 1.97 (b), and following receipt of an International Search Report dated 19 October 2001 in corresponding application PCT/US 01/07363, applicants are disclosing the additional references (5,118,419 and 2,634,194) cited on the attached PTO Form 1449. A copy of each reference listed is enclosed, and all of them were cited in the aforementioned International Search Report, a copy of which is enclosed. Initialing of each document after consideration by the Examiner is now respectfully requested. An "Information Disclosure Statement" was also mailed on October 20, 2000 listing 7 patents, including 4,374,094 and 3,167,399 noted in the International Search Report. It is noted that each of the 4 patents cited in the International Search Report was a Category "A" document which was thought to define the general state of the art but not considered to be of particular relevance.

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Respectfully submitted,

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